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# S. 175

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 21 (legislative day, JANUARY 5), 1993

Mr. DECONCINI introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

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## A BILL

To amend the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 to make the special supplemental food program for women, infants, and children (WIC) an entitlement program, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL FOOD PROGRAM.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 17(c)(1) of the Child Nu-  
5 trition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786(c)(1)) is amended—

6 (1) in the first sentence, by striking “may” and  
7 inserting “shall”; and

1           (2) by inserting after the first sentence the fol-  
2           lowing new sentence: “Subject to the other provi-  
3           sions of this section, an eligible individual shall be  
4           entitled to receive the full amount of benefits author-  
5           ized under this section.”.

6           (b) APPROPRIATION.—Section 17(g)(1) of such Act  
7           (42 U.S.C. 1786(g)(1)) is amended by striking the first  
8           sentence and inserting the following new sentences: “For  
9           purposes of providing benefits to all eligible individuals in  
10          the program and otherwise carrying out this section, there  
11          are authorized to be appropriated, and there are appro-  
12          priated, to carry out this section such sums as are nec-  
13          essary for fiscal year 1994 and each succeeding fiscal year.  
14          The Secretary shall make available the sums described in  
15          the previous sentence to carry out this section.”.

16          (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
17          this section shall become effective on October 1, 1993.

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